

**PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING CLEAN VERSION OF THE AMENDED  
CLAIM(S) PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(i)**

**In the claims:**

1. (Amended) A torch cover comprising:

(a generally cylindrical <sup>26</sup>outer housing) closed at an upper end by an <sup>22</sup>(upper housing cover)  
opposite an entry orifice at a lower end;

(a <sup>30</sup>circumscribing conduit) formed about a lower circumference of said outer housing near  
said entry orifice and having a conduit entry;

<sup>112</sup>an internal retention volume formed within said housing of a dimension approximately  
10" wide and 12" long;

a drawstring entering and exiting said conduit entry in a manner <sup>112</sup>such as to entirely  
circumscribe said lower of said cylindrical outer housing; and

drawstring retention means, said drawstring retention means comprising a spring clip, ✓  
said spring clip for impinging movement of said drawstring. ✓

2. Canceled. ✓

3. (Amended) The torch cover of Claim 1, wherein said upper housing cover is formed of light ✓  
impenetrable material for impeding penetration of damaging UV-A and UV-B sunlight.

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4. (Amended) The torch cover of Claim 1, wherein said cylindrical outer housing is formed of light impenetrable material for impeding penetration of damaging UV-A and UV-B sunlight. ✓

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5. Canceled.

6. Canceled.

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7. (New) A torch cover comprising:

a generally cylindrical outer housing including an upper end and a lower end, said upper end integrally coupled to an upper housing cover, said lower end opposite to said upper end, said lower end forming an entry orifice;

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a circumscribing conduit formed about a lower circumference of said outer housing nears said entry orifice and including a conduit entry;

(an internal retention volume formed along an interior of said cylindrical outer housing; )  
a drawstring entering and exiting said conduit entry in a manner so as to entirely circumscribe said lower end of said cylindrical outer housing;

drawstring retention means for mechanically impinging said drawstring; and

an extinguishing cap, said cap integral to said drawstring retention means, said cap comprising a top portion, a cylindrical sidewall depending from said top portion and a cavity formed by said top portion and said sidewall, said cap for extinguishing a torch flame.

8. (New) The torch cover of Claim 7, wherein said internal retention volume measures approximately 10" wide and 12" long.

9. (New) The torch cover of Claim 8, wherein said internal retention volume receives the flame bearing portion of a torch.

10. (New) The torch cover of Claim 7, wherein said drawstring retention means comprises a spring clip.

11. (New) The torch cover of Claim 7, wherein said extinguishing cap is manufactured from a material selected from the group consisting of metal, stone, glass, plexiglass, acrylic, ceramic, mortar and fire resistant nylon.

12. (New) A torch cover comprising:

a generally cylindrical outer housing including an upper end and a lower end, said upper end integrally coupled to an upper housing cover, said lower end opposite to said upper end, said lower end forming an entry orifice;

a circumscribing conduit formed about a lower circumference of said outer housing nears said entry orifice and including a conduit entry;

an internal retention volume formed along an interior of said cylindrical outer housing, said internal retention volume comprising a fire resistant nylon fiber, said fire resistant nylon

fiber for preventing fire and heat damage to said cover;

a drawstring entering and exiting said conduit entry in a manner so as to entirely  
circumscribe said lower end of said cylindrical outer housing; and

drawstring retention means for mechanically impinging said drawstring.

13. (New) The torch cover of Claim 12, wherein said internal retention volume further  
comprises a fabric strengthening nylon fiber, said fabric strengthening nylon fiber providing  
structural integrity to said cover so as to allow said cover to withstand repeated use in  
extinguishing torch flames.

14. (New) The torch cover of Claim 13, wherein said internal retention volume measures  
approximately 10" wide and 12" long.

15. (New) The torch of Claim 14, wherein said internal retention volume receives the  
flame bearing portion of a torch.

16. (New) The torch of Claim 12, wherein said drawstring retention means comprises  
a spring clip.

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